



VBCCO THE VOICE

SEPTEMBER

VBCCO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:
Thursday, September 12th
7:00pm
GREAT NECK RECREATION CENTER
2521 Shorehaven Drive, 23454

Join your neighbors and listen to our speaker:

Brian Solis, Assistant to City Manager, Special Projects
FEEDBACK NEEDED ON SHARED MOBILITY SERVICES (Motorized Scooters)

These are the four questions used to frame the issue and focus residents on their feedback:

1. Where do you think motorized scooters should be prohibited?
2. Where do you think motorized scooters could and should be permitted?
3. What other measures can motorized scooter companies do to ensure safe rider behavior?
4. What other regulations should the City consider adopting to ensure safe motorized scooters?

We request that you consider these questions and seek input from your respective civic association. Please attend the meeting with a written response that may be shared with the city representative, Brian Solis.

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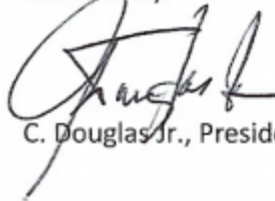
President's Corner

The VBCCO, our organization, is gradually showing growth after several years of declining civic organization involvement and our board of directors is considering a number of efforts that hopefully will improve our interactions with each civic organization. We are addressing the main issue with a detailed analysis to identify our target audience, the manner in which we try to interact and will be addressing our need to become more effective with our communications.

The recent resignation of Dave Henson as the City manager presents a challenge as we adapt to the change that any new administration brings. I can assure you that as soon as the City Council selects an Acting City Manager I shall meet with the individual so that I may keep the administration informed as to our growth and to seek their assistance as we address areas of concerns of our members.

We need the help of many more of our neighbors so please consider volunteering to serve as a liaison for your civic organization and let your volunteer members of the board of Directors know of your concerns.

Lastly, a new school year has begun so be aware of the children as they head to school or return home. Drive safely.



C. Douglas Jr., President

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

VBCCO:	http://www.vbccco.org/
VA BEACH CITY SITE:	https://www.vbgov.com
WIND POWER:	https://va4wind.com
SEE IT, CLICK IT, FIX IT:	https://seeclickfix.com/
SEA LEVEL RISE	https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/public-works/comp-sea-level-rise/Pages/default.aspx

VBCCO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES FOR 2019

Thursday, September 12
Thursday, October 10
Thursday, November 14
Thursday, December 12



CITY UPDATES FROM

www.vbgov.com

Dear VBAAlert Subscriber:

The City of Virginia Beach is transitioning its emergency alert and warning system, VBAAlert, to a new platform powered by RAVE Mobile Safety. Because this is a new system, we are unable to transfer current subscriber's accounts. Therefore, you will need to create a new account by September 30th, 2019 to continue to receive VBAAlert's. The new system allows for text, email and voice notifications.

Events that could prompt a VBAAlert message include, but are not limited to:

- weather watches and warnings
- evacuation notifications
- rabid animal alerts
- hostage/barricade situations
- hazardous material spills
- boil water advisories
- traffic accidents with major delays

With the new platform, residents and visitors can also create a Smart911 profile to provide additional information to first responders if you ever call 9-1-1.

Please take the time now to re-subscribe to VBAAlert and create a Smart911 profile by texting VBAAlert to 67283. To sign up online or to find out more about VBAAlert, visit www.vbgov.com/vbalert or call 311.



LIKE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE TODAY!

September is National Preparedness Month — Are You Ready?

This annual nationwide effort is designed to encourage year-round emergencies preparation.

It's been nearly three years since Hurricane Matthew — one of the most destructive natural disasters in Virginia Beach's history. Such storms, as well as winter blizzards and other natural disasters, illustrate the pressing need for everyone to be ready for a variety of emergencies.



How do you do it?

Get a Kit:

It is now the height of hurricane season, but citizens need to be prepared for all hazards, emergencies and extended power outages by having an [emergency supply kit](#) on hand. If you don't have one already, you can start building your emergency kit with these essential items:

- three-day supply of food that won't spoil, such as canned goods and packaged foods
- three-day supply of water, one gallon per person per day
- a hand crank or battery-powered radio with extra batteries
- a written family emergency plan
- a portable battery pack for your mobile phone

Once you gather these basics, put them in waterproof containers that you can carry or roll in case you need to leave your home quickly. Old suitcases or backpacks also work well and can hold supplies. Other useful items you may want to include:

- flashlights with extra batteries (not candles)
- manual can opener
- first aid kit
- list of prescriptions, doctors' contact information and a supply of medications for all family members including pets
- food and water for your pet(s)
- an extra pair of eyeglasses/contact lenses
- special items for babies, disabled or older family members
- cash - in case ATMs are down/empty and banks are closed



CITY UPDATE FROM

www.vbgov.com

Virginia Beach Public Works Department

Several roadway improvements are underway in the city. Shore Drive and Virginia Beach Blvd. both have milling, paving and pavement marking improvements ongoing until the end of September. These projects are to be worked on from 7pm until 5am each day to minimize traffic impact.

31st Senior Citizen's Police Academy

Virginia Beach Police Department is accepting applications for the 31st session of the Virginia Beach Police Department Senior Citizen's Police Academy. This session will be held at Harmony at Independence, 2007 S. Independence Blvd. VB/VA 23454. The class will be held on Tuesdays from 9:00am—Noon from 10.1.19 to 12.3.19.

For more information on the Senior Citizen's Police Academy - [https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/police/opsdiv/Documents/PD318%20\(rev%2003-2018\)%20CitizenPoliceAcademy.pdf](https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/police/opsdiv/Documents/PD318%20(rev%2003-2018)%20CitizenPoliceAcademy.pdf) For an application - <https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/police/opsdiv/Pages/SeniorCitizenAcademy.aspx>

Contact MPO S. D. Bryant if you have any questions - sbryant@vbgov.com 757-385-1066. Space is limited!



New Home of



Virginia Beach Arts Center, 532 Virginia Beach Blvd. VB/VA 23451,
757.425.6671

Sea Level Rise—Comprehensive Flooding Response Plan

Virginia Beach has completed one phase of public outreach to gather information from the public and consider the many options available to address future flood conditions. This site contains a survey that is now closed. However there is still information available: <https://sites.wp.odu.edu/asert/vb2019/>

Homeowner Information regarding flooding:

<https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/public-works/comp-sea-level-rise/Documents/bldg-site-level-flood-risk-strategies-05-01-19.pdf>

Additional Information:

<https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/public-works/comp-sea-level-rise/Pages/default.aspx>

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Household Fences—Changes to Virginia Code

Virginia Code Title 55 was superseded by the new Title 55.1 (Property and Conveyances) enacted by Senate Bill 1080 in the last General Assembly session. Title 55.1 consists of 29 chapters divided into five subtitles: <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title55.1/>

Subtitle I (Property Conveyances),
Subtitle II (Real Estate Settlements and Recordation),
Subtitle III (Rental Conveyances),
Subtitle IV (Common Interest Communities), and
Subtitle V (Miscellaneous).

A suggested read by leadership of civic leagues, community associations, etc., in particular is the section on fences: **Article 6. Division Fences**

§ 55.1-2821 (Effective October 1, 2019) Obligation to provide division fences

Adjoining landowners shall build and maintain, at their joint and equal expense, division fences between their lands, unless one of them chooses to let his land lie open or unless they agree otherwise.

<https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title55.1/chapter28/section55.1-2821/>

City's Battery Recycling Program is Energized for Change

Here's some good news! Virginia Beach residents will be happy to know that they can now dispose of their standard alkaline batteries (AA, AAA, C, D and 9 volt) in their household trash. Alkaline batteries no longer contain mercury, which was one of the reasons for Public Works Waste Management accepting them in their Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program. After many years of successfully collecting batteries from City buildings and recycling centers, Waste Management has determined that it is a fire hazard to continue to collect rechargeable batteries such as Lithium Ion (Li-Ion), Nickel Cadmium (NiCd), Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH), and Nickel Zinc (Ni-ZN) batteries using the current system. With these changes comes the removal of the household battery collection boxes from all City libraries and recycling drop-off centers. Residents can properly dispose of their rechargeable batteries at the Virginia Beach Landfill and Resource Recovery Center, located at 1989 Jake Sears Road, with local retailers, such as Lowe's and Home Depot, or visit www.Call2Recycle.org for battery recycling locations nearest them. If you have any questions you may call (757) 385-4650, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or visit www.vbgov.com/wastemgt.



SINGLE-USE ALKALINE BATTERIES (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V)

Because these batteries no longer contain mercury, you can dispose of them in your household trash!

RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES (Li-Ion, Ni-Cd, SSILA/Pb, Ni-MH, Ni-ZN)

Proper disposal is very important as these pose a fire hazard if not handled with care. NEVER put these in the trash.

Here's where to take rechargeable batteries:

- Virginia Beach Landfill and Resource Recovery Center
- Home Depot and Lowes
- Visit www.Call2Recycle.org for recycling locations nearest you.



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www.VBCCO.org

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VBCCO Board Meetings are held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help—Thank you!

Next VBCCO General Membership Meeting
Thursday, October 10, 2019
7:00 pm

Great Neck Recreation Center